| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 20 | Punjab | 4028 | 4161 | 4240 |
| 21 | Rajasthan | 8206 | 6732 | 7123 |
| 22 | Sikkim | 208 | 402 | 386 |
| 23 | Tamil Nadu | 132861 | 177766 | 120885 |
| 24 | Tripura | 406 | 703 | 831 |
| 25 | Uttar Pradesh | 966142 | 477893 | 4610 |
| 26 | Uttarakhand | 1474 | 11934 | 136 |
| 27 | West Bengal | 1691 | 3532 | 6389 |
| 28 | And. and Nico. Islands | 6 | 97 | 22 |
| 29 | U.T. Chandigarh | 694 | 576 | 401 |
| 30 | Delhi | 13028 | 14391 | 11768 |
| 31 | U.T. Puducherry | 1433 | 1433 | 543 |

**Shortage of rooms in indore bench of Madhya Pradesh High Court**

†2828. SHRlMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sufficient rooms are not there in lndore bench of Madhya Pradesh High Court, to hear the cases by the hon'ble judges;

(b) if so, by when the rooms would be made available;

(c) whether there is any shortage of rooms for the Judges in other High Courts of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (d) Providing basic infrastructure for functioning of High Courts including rooms for hearing of cases is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Governments. In formation on shortage of rooms for judges is not maintained centrally. However, Central Government is implementing a scheme under which financial assistance is provided to the States for construction of court buildings and the States are required to provide matching share.

**Appointment of High Court Judges**

†2829. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the procedure followed for appointment of Judges of High Courts;

(b) whether it is a fact that nepotism has increased in such appointments for want of transparency; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.